WHEN KRUEGER VISITS LONDON.

WAY STREWN WITH DEAD

Magnificent Cuban Victory Suppressed by the Spaniards.

IN AN ISOLATED PROVINCE

Utter Rout of Spain's Force at San Cristobal in Pinar del Rio-Coma by Telegraph and Railroad Was Cut Off-News of Other Insurgent Victories Reported.

(Special correspondence United Press.) Havana, Feb. 22, via Tampa, Fla., Feb. 26.—Refugees from San Cristobal and Can-delria, towns on the Western railroad in Pinar del Rio province brings news from a region that is without telegraph, railroad trains, and regular mails.

It is also a province without salt, and in which inhabitants are shut up in towns in a starving condition, and guards of Spanish troops threaten to shoot anyone

It appears that a battle has taken place which has not figured in the official govern-ment reports. It was at 8an Cristobal on the 13th. The town had been occupied by the rebels from January 6 to that date. Antonio Maceo had fought with Gen. Luque later with Gen. Cannella on the other side Col. Segura and 600 men had a narrow escape from annihilation on the main road between Candeiria and San Cristobal on been announced by the government.

A SIGNAL VICTORY. An eve-witness of the affair today said Spanish column 1,200 strong, under Col. Hernaudez, arrived at San Cris-

tobal on the 13th, supposing that the in-surgents had gone farther east, for Macco near Ariemista. The rebel leader Zayas and five of his men were in the town and 900 of his followers were camped just

Hernandez came from the west, entering the main street. Zayas and his com papions ran, firing their revolvers to warn their men of the approach of the troops. Zayas reached the rebel camp and took mand. He divided his men into three battalions of 300 men each. Two of these remained at the cast end of the town and attacked Hernander's column as they came

down the narrow street. With 300 mounted men Zayas rode around the town and entered it in Herandez's rear, attacking the troops and driving them in between the cross-fire of the other rebel is. Hernandez fought desperately and used several cannon, but the rebels had him in a disadvantageous position. He fought on, moving slowly along the road east from San Cristobal to Candelria.

Zayas' man fought him on each flank and from the rear. It is stated that the road was littered with dead soldiers for the entire distance to Candeiria. My informant said he saw in the ruins of a house which had been burned on the road the heads of six Spanish soldiers, the bodies having been burned to prevent identifi

BURNED BRIDGES AND TOWN.

The rebels burned two large government bridges on the highway at Hagassa and Rio Hondo to prevent Spanish cannon being taken to Pinar Del Rio Province. After Hernandez left the rebels re-enterd

On the 19th the insurgents burned the town of Cabanas, on the north coast, twenty miles west of Havana. The garrison was

The Diaro de la Marina publishes the following account of the destruction of an insurgent hospital near Bolondron, which is semi-official, since all matter passes through the censor's hands before publica-

Receiving confidential notice that in the place called Mayen there existed a hos-pital of the enemy, Count Lerensunda went in that direction and ordered an advance of a section of his troops commanded by Senors Poso and Gonzales, directed by the

"Hardly had the sentinel of said hospita seen our gallant troops than there were een coming out of the same eight unarmed individuals, who immediately fled. There were captured a medical case, cartridges one Mansur rifle and sundry other effects The hospital was destroyed, with everything that could not be transported."

ADRIFT ON LAKE ERIE.

Word From the Captain That He Is in a Bad Plight.

Cleveland, Feb. 26.-A telegram from Port Dover, Ontario, says that the ferry oat Shenango is adrift on Lake Eric without steering gear. Twelve of the crew ar ort Dover over the ice, bearing a letter from Capt, McLeod saying he had but a few days' fuel and provisi

The Shenango left Port Dover February 19, and should have reached Con same evening. The owners of the boat are anxious for her safety. She was seen from he Ohio shore today drifting.

Evacuation of Egypt by England. Paris, Feb. 26.- The Figure says that the European foreign offices are now ing the Egyptian question in the light of whether Great Britian has entered int and also whether the circumstances are fa

Bank Robbers Surrender Wichita Falls, Tex., Feb. 26.-A repor reached here early this morning that the robbers who attempted to rob the bank here yesterday bad surrendered to the citi sens and rangers. It is believed here that the prisoners have been taken to Heprietta

New Jersey's Republican Convention Newark, N. J., Peb. 26 .- The State Re publican committee this morning issued a call for the State convention to nominate Louis, to be held in Taylor Opera House

Steamer Lamington Floated. Fire Island, N. Y., Feb. 26.-The steame

Blue Point, on Great South Beach, for the past three weeks, was floated this morn ing. The vessel is in tow for New York. Rhode Island's Republican Convention

Providence, R. I., Feb. 28.-The execu tive committee of the Republican State committee has decided to call the State convention for March 10 in this city.

Death of Admiral Fyffe. Omaha, Neb., Peb. 26.-James P. Pyffe, ear admiral U. S. N. retired, died at his CUT IN HALF BY A CAR.

Boy Who Was Stealing a Ride. off the track.

Little Harry lost his hold on the wagon just as it left the tracks, and fell in front of the ear, that had already been started in anticipa tion of the vehicle being speedily out of dan-ger. Not having made allowance for the possibility of one of the youngsters falling off the wagon, the motorman was for a moment unnerved by the sight of the pros tratelad on the rail a few feet ahead.

WILL FORM A NEW PARTY

All Favor the Holding of a Convention Some Time in May-Speakers of National Reputation.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 26.-The conference of political reformers that is to be held in Pittsburg March 10, 11 and 12, bas attracted the attention of the country to such an extent that the organization of a new party is now a certainty, and that ating convention will be held in May, before the meeting of the Prohibition party convention and in advance of all existing parties.

all favor a convention May 20, 21 and 22. The following is a list of national workers that have answered the inquiries:

A. Peffer, Maria Freeman Gray of San Francisco, Cal.; John Ratliff, Marion, Ind.; Rev. J. F. Shepherd, New Philadelphia, O.; Helen M. Gouger; Henrictta G. Moore, M. F. Woodbury, S. H. Cammings, C. Perrine Benjamin R. Jewel, G. T. Stewart, B. F. Spalding, Rev. J. C. Effett, William Copp Catherine Stevenson, John H. Larry, Ma tin Wilcox, Hon. John Bidwell, A. C. Stillson, Hon. J. S. Coxey, Henry Ware Prancis Murphy, E. B. Light, secretar Bimetallic Union; Hiram Maine, Peter M. Gibeon, Mrs. W. C. Sibley, W. F. Crispin, G. R. Malone, John Hipp, Cheuncey H. Dunn, S. D. Hastings, Margaret B. Platt, Mrs. Fanny I. Chunn,

D. A. Kneeland, Hon, T. C. Richmond, A. J. Keddle, George W. Hopkins, Prof. J. A. Gundy, Susan B. Anthony, Mrs. H. L. Mon-roe, Mrs. C. M. Doughty, S. A. Huger and Clara Parrish.

Of these national representatives a num er have signified their purpose to be pres ent and address the conference. The conference proper will begin March 10 at 9 a.m. The devotional exercises will be led by Rev. William Copp of Minnesota. Na-

conference to order.

TEXAS' SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

Admission as a State.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 26 .- The State conven centennial exposition at Dallas in 1897. 98. of Texas as a State, met here yesterday tendance. The ways and means committee reported at the night session, recommend ing that \$2,000,000 be raised in Texas by the sale of stock at \$100 per share. Th

At the afternoon sessions, telegrams the governors of all the Southwestern States and Territories and chambers of com perce and promising to send exhibits After the \$2,000,0000 bas been raised in Texas, Congress will be asked to nation

nander of the Salvation Army in the United States, and concludes as follows: with issues of vital importance of which "The resignation of Ballington Booth is deeply deplored, but the general has only given fresh proof of his conscientious and solute determination to administer the

KRUGER'S EDICT CONFIRMED

Pretoria, Feb. 26.-The high court of the South Africa republic has confirmed the interdictory proclamation issued by President Kruger regarding the mining shares and other property held in the Rand by perons who were arrested at Johannesburg and brought here for trial. The procin lares the property mentioned forfeited in the event of the conviction of the ow

Eight-Hour Law Bill Referred The House Committee on Labor today scussed and referred to subcommittees the vict labor. The subcommittees are expected to report to the full committee on Wednesday next, when it is probable that a

vote on the measures will be taken Charged With Murder

New York, Peb. 26.—Joseph Ciminera, an Italian, is under arrest at police head-quarters, charged with the murder of Toth Lashia in the mines at Milnesville, Luzerne county, Pa., in September last. He is said to belong to the Maria Society.

The "Talk About a Summer in Europe,"
Mrs. Merricine E. Cutter, to the Legion
of Loyal Women, occurs tomorrow evening
at Legion Hall, No. 419 Tenth street northwest, at 8 o'clock. Admission will be by
ticket only.

cking Death of a Four-Year-Old Philadelphia, Feb. 26.-With several ns about his own age, four-year companions about his own age, four year-old Harry Sheithauer, was stealing a ride on the back of a big dray going along Harer-ford avenue, near Brooklyn street, last night. Car 528 of the Haddington branch of the Union Traction Company was coming at a rapid rate behind, and the driver of the dray in response to the motorman's gong pulled

But he then succeeded in some what les

ing the speed of the car, and had he had a been able to bring it to a standstill. The fender passed over the little body, and one of the wheels nearly cut it in haif. The child died soon afterwards.

Conference of Political Reformers to Be Held in Pittsburg.

The answers to inquiries sent out nearly

Miss Frances E. Willard, Hon. William

ional Chairman Carl Stewart will call the Jacob S. Coxey, of Coxey army fame, will speak on the night of the 11th. Mrs. Maria Freeman Gray of California will likely

make the opening address.

Proposed Exposition to Celebrate Her

the enterprise by appropriating \$2,000,0000 and sending national exhibits.

"THE AMERICAN SORROW."

Bramwell Booth's Statement in the

"War Cry." London, Feb. 26 .- The War Cry, the of ficial journal of the Salvation Army, pul Booth, chief of staff in London, under the caption "The American Sorrow." statment includes the letters leading up to the resignation of Ballington Boott

onest differences of opinion exist within all party lines in this country. there been a disposition to strike a fatal blow at the tariff legislation for the present, the effective course would have affairs of the Salvation Army without rebeen to vote for consideration and then gard to family or personal preferences. gainst the bill. The position taken, there fore, indicated nothing more than ir sition to proceed with the matter at that

Property of Convicted Transveal Reb els to Be Confiscated.

"With this ample statement, natural inpressed by, and possessed of deep reverence for, the ancient and honorable traditions of the Senate and its experienced and dis Unguished members, the silence I have main greeable and profitable to me. urbed did I not feel constrained to repel

> have become in the mutations of political ontroversy prominently identified before CHARGED WITH TREASON. Continuing his remarks, Mr. Carter complained that four members of the Scnate, including himself, had been indicted by the leading journals of the East, and pr ounced gullty of treason without trial.

Against this judgment he set up the fact

at the tariff bill presented was at vari-

oyalty to the principles of the party with

ance with all past professions of the Re-"It is admitted," he said, "that the Hou till is not and was not intended to be an bill is not and was not intended to be an expression by the party of its views. It has been and is now distinctly asserted that it is not a Republican measure. It is a measure to meet an alleged emergency, which the chief executive officer of the nation, chosen by a majority of the people in 1892, stously asserts does not exist

The party, then, is in the attitude of

the method employed was seriously ob-jectionable. It built upon existing law as a foundation. The Wilson tariff bill has been everywhere condemned by Repub-licans as noturiously inequitable and unjust. He Raked Cleveland Over Very Continued on Eighth Page.

Hot Coals.

DEFENDS HIS OWN COURSE

Chides Republicans for Having Been

Bamboozled by the Administration

Into Passing Half-Democratic Meas-

nres for Financial Relief-His Free

Senator Carter, of Montana, the chairman

of the National Republican Committee,

who led the six boiling Senators upon the

tariff question, delivered his widely-an-

ed speech in the Senate today.

said he, "without previous understanding and without note of warning, the honorable

chairman of the Finance Committee, whose

high character and venerable personality

I reverence, moved to proceed to the con-sideration of House bill 2749.

"As a substitute for this bill the com-

mittee had reported a bill for the free coinage of silver. It was well known that

differences of opinion existed on this side of the chamber, not only as to the propriety

of adopting the substitute, but likewise involving the wisdom and expediency of

passing the revenue bill as it came from the

"These differences, many Republican Sen-

ous party action. I shared this hope

ators believed, should, if possible, be ad-justed so as to secure united and har-

Less than two hours before the motion was

nade to take up the bill I had, in con-

formity with a suggestion made to me by

a distinguished member of the Finance Committee, proceeded to bring about a con-

erence looking to united action on some

"By necessary implication it was under-

stood that adequate time would be allowed

to confer. An informal preliminary con-

was interrupted by the announcement of a

WHY HE VOTED NAY.

"On that motion I voted no. Could the

hand of time be turned back to that hour

done since then, I would still vote no. For

that vote I have ample justification and no

gested a conference and to the worthy

chaleman who made the motion pending

sible imputation of had faith. The motion

was made in perfect good faith by the

the vote would have been the same, and I

only advert to the circumstances to em-

phasize the manifest necessity for prudent

chairman, not in pursuance of an under

apology to present.

out effacing what has been said and

justice to the Senator who sug-

versation regarding methods of pro-

roll call on the motion to take the billup.

"Late in the evening of the 13th instant,"

Silver Feelings.

If his peculiar brand of whiskers is to become fashionable the results will be striking.

forcing uncalled-for relief upon a reluctant

Democratic administration."

Aside from this, Mr. Carter contended that

MIGTHEN

-Chicago Record.

fessed Negro Thieves.

Policeman Mulvey Caught One as He

Was About to Rob Bilaski's Sa-

loon-This Arrest Led to the Discov

ery and Apprehension of the Others

who have been breaking into business house

These are James Majors, aged twenty

three years; Samuel Cornish, nineteen years old; Oscar Majors, aged eighteen

cars and William Blackburn, twenty-two

The capture of Archer by Policeman

Mulvey was a daring one. For several nights past patrolnian from the different

special duty, with permission to visit any

AFTER THE BURGLARS.

was to unearth the authors of the series

curring for the past five weeks. About 2

was passing in the vicinity of Bliaski's

He heard a sound coming from the real

of the barroom, as though some one was at

ork with batchet and saw, trying to force

an entry. Mulvey finally located the sound

fragged him struggling to the sidewal

Finally in the struggle the policema

Sergt. McNeeley, Precinct Detective Mc

who were also out on special duty after bur

The prisoner was armed with a long

had used in cutting his way into Bilaski'

house. He was not given an opportunity to use these weapons on Patrolman Mulvey

because the latter kept him covered with his

aski's premises, expecting to find anothe

HE IMPLICATED OTHERS.

prought quickly into requisition, and Po-dicemen Mulvey and Flather and Detective

McGlue piled in and were driven to South

of Willow Tree court, where Archer had been living for some time past. There the two Majors were arrested. A trip was

then made through Louse alley, where Cornish and Blackburn were taken into

was captured in the act by Policeman Mul

nover in five recent store burgiaries

omer of Twenty-third and L streets

outhwest; Walter Poore's store, Twenty

ment, Twenty-first street, between E and F streets northwest; Michael Flynn's sa-

oon, Twenty-first and H streets north-west, and Bliaski's saloon, where he was

west, and Bliaski's saloon, where he was aptured this morning.

Nothing was stolen from Bilaski's, as falvey came upon Archer so suddenly but he did not have time to get into the establishment. The other places named were looted by Archer and hispals of money, iquors, cigars and other goods.

James Majors confessed that he had a sonk

custody and locked up at No. 3.

on, in the vicinity of the

bladed knife and hatchet, the implen

Archer's face.

of bold burgiaries which have been

purpose of the police authorities

Houses Robbed by Them.

DEMOCRATS KEEP THEIR SEATS. House Committee on Elections Decid

ed Two Contested Cases. House Committee on Elections No. 3, Mr. McCail of Massachusetts, chairman, foday decided two South Carolina contested election cases - both in favor of the sitting mem

In the case of Wilson egainst McLanrin, from the Sixth district, Mr. McLaurin, Democrat, gets the decision, and in the case of Johnson against Scotes, Democrat,

Report That He Will Enter a Jesuit Seminary.

HE DOES NOT DENY IT

addened by His Wife's Death-After Her Demise He Had All His Gold and Silver Plate Melted and Cast Into Sacred Vessels, Which He Presented to the Church.

New York, Feb. 26 .- W. Bourke Cock ran's friends are discussing a rumor that he intends leaving his busy pegular life and de voting his energies to the Catholic church. It is said that the loss of his wife at the hour of his political triumph has so sad-dened him that he contemplates applying to a Jesuit seminary for admission as a monas-

tic novitiate. This report has been given color by th fact that after the death of his wife, eighteen months ago, he had his gold and silver plate melted, and cost into sacred to St. Francis Xavier's Church, this city. The orator, statesman and lawyer does not deny the report. Neither does be affirm it. He seemed surprised yesterday when ap proached on the subject.

REFUSES TO DISCUSS IT.

"I cannot imagine how such a report has gained circulation," said be.
"Is it true," be was asked, "that you contemplate preparing to enter a Jesuit

"Concerning that I have nothing to say," ment or understanding of which he had "Do you say that the report is absolutely "If no conference had been suggested

without foundation?"
"No," he answered, "but I positively re-Since the ex-Congressman's return from abroad his old political friends have seen

little of him. He has been a stranger in places which he formerly frequented, and this has given rise to much speculation. At the same time it is known that he is not in the best of health.

He he a severe adferers from insomnia, and the strain upon he nervous system is evident. His eye has four nearly all of of its old-time fire and his streng, forceful face has a careworn, fatteness expression. That he needs rest and quiet is agreed by sympathetic friends who have seen him recently. station in charge of Policeman Kelly, the BIS BROTHER IN-LAW UNADVISED station they had a talk with Archer in his cell. He finally implicated James Majors as his accomplice in the Bilaski job, and The Rev. William Jackson, pastor of St. Paul's Roman Catholle Church, in East One Hundred and Seventeenth street, is a brother of Mr. Cockran's first wife. also mentioned the names of Oscar Ma-jors, Cornish, and Blackburn, Louse alley and Willow Tree court characters.

The Third precinct patrol wagon wa

"If he should enter the priesthood," said Father Jackson resterday, "I would be very much surprised. I have heard several of Mr. Cockran's friends in the world say that be contemplated soing into the pricethood, but he has neverspoken to me about it. I saw him on Wednesday last that was bis intention.

"I know that he has several friends are concerning the priesthood I cannot say. He has neither consulted me nor broached the matter to me."

Trammell's Case Again Continued.

Special Officer John Trammell, who was arrested by Sergt. Keefs last Sunday on a warrant sworn out by August J. Lohse a saloon keeper, charging him with assault, disorderly conduct, and threats, was in police court before Judge Miller today, and his cases were continued until the 29th. Trammell renewed his bord and was allowed to remain at liberty.

Watch Taken From a Pocket.
Daniel Madigan, of Noj 54 I street north
ast, reported to detective headquarter
his forenoon that his pocket had bee
sicked, and a good-like watch and chai

town. The police who made the arrests had been on continuous duty without sleep for over twenty-four hours. WIRE GOLD FOUND. Valuable Discovery in the Quartz Dumps of an Old Mine

sidered of especial value. Recently the owners have been develop ing their property by a drift and shaft in the tunnel, and for some time they found pockets of wire gold quartz, which they threw over the dump, thinking the stuff was wire copper. Specimens valued as high as \$25 have been taken from the dump.

solution of Censure.

eign Affairs Committee Say It In Unwarranted.

Important Capture of Self-con-

mentioned that calls for or justifies cen-sure by Congress. The proposed action h

FOUR UNDER LOCK AND KEY or discreetness of their conduct, under the ference by Congress in this respect can only have the effect of detracting from the dig-nity and usefulness of our foreign service." The report is signed by Mr. McCreary, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Money, and Mr. Dir

NO SALVATION ARMY REVOLT. Policeman James Mulvey of the Sixth At Least That Is What Col. William

ing, captured a negro burglar while in the Eadle Says. act of forcing an entry into Bilaski's sa-New York, Peb. 26. -Col. William Eadle. loon, corner of Twenty-second and H streets northwest. The burgiar is John Archer, ne of the leaders of the Salvation Army in this country, announced positively this eventeen years of age, who has a shady morning that all danger of a secession by the supporters of the former commander, Ballington Booth, were now past. All the brigadiers of the army who during the record in police circles.

The prompt and timely capture of Archer led to the subsequent arrest before day-light of four other pegroes, who, the police believe, constitute the gang of burglars ontroversy between the two factions had een wavering were now ready to support Gen. William Booth of London against Mr.

and Mrs. Ballington Booth. The last of the brigadiers to reach this cision, Col. Eadle said, was Brigadier Fielding of Chicago. During the trouble Brigadier Fielding was one of Ballington Booth's most ardent supporters. He had a long talk with Col. Eadle last night, in which all the facts of Eallington Booth's

case were gone over carefully. At the conclusion of the talk Brigadier

army and support Gen. Booth.
One explanation offered by Commander

rocery Drummer Linthicum Sudden ly Expired During the Night. Otho Lee Linthicum, a grocery drummer for B. B. Earnshaw, was found dead in bed this morning at his boarding place,

Revolver in hand, be tiptoed in that direction and perceived the form of a man Borth West. half way through the upper portion of one of the first-story windows. The policeman of age, a native of Washington, and had

years past. Coroner Hammett was notified and or-dered Deputy Coroner Glazebrook to perand then drawing his whistle, gave the dis-tress call, which was answered by Acting form an autopsy this afternoon, in order to determine the cause of Linthicum's death. which is believed was due to heart disease

Important Additions Made to the Post-

Post Roads today made several important additions to the postoffice appropriation bill for the coming fiscal year, providing for increased fast mail facilities. The item providing for fast mail facili-

Orleans, La., which had been stricken from the bill, was reinserted, the appropriation for the service being \$196,000. An item appropriating \$1,000,000 was added for special mail service between Chi-

cago, Ill., and Council Bluffs, Iowa, via Burlington. Special facilities were also provided for between Kansas City, Mo., and Newton, Kan., the appropriation for this route being \$81,700. Depterman and O'Neil Nearly Well.

deputy sheriff and citizen of Alexandria nty who were shot in the raid on Nel son's saloon, in Jackson City, last Thursday night, are still at the Emergency Hospital, but will be sufficiently recovered to return to their homes this evening. John-son and Jerry Smith, the other deputies who were wounded during the raid, are at their homes in the county, and are almos entirely well.

Breen and locked up at the First precinc station house, charged with stealing chick-ens. A basket containing over a dozen chickens, alleged to be the property of a resident of Falls Church, was found in

some of the liquor and smoked cigars stolen by Archer, but denied being with him. The others, except Archer, also entered denials. Inspector Hollinberger's corps are at work on clues,, and expect to fasten many of the recent burglaries on the gang, espe-cially the entries of business houses about town. The police who made the arrests had been on continuous duty without sleep

Lake City, Colo., Feb. 26 .- A stampede City. Colo., Peb. 26.—A sampede to Yellowstone Gulch. ten miles from Lake City. began yesterday, because of the re-cent discovery of fine specimens of wire gold in the Woodstock mine. The mine is

an old location, classed as a low grade cop-per and silver producer, and was not con-

THEY STAND BY MR. BAYARD

Report of the Minority on the Re-

ocratic Members of the For

Mr. Diasmore reported to the House to day the views of the minority members of the Foreign Affairs Committee on the resolations consuring Ambansador Bayard. The report states that the minority respectfully lissent from the views of the majority and submit that the resolutions ought not to pass. Continuing, the report says:
"In their (the minority's) opinion there is nothing contained in either of the speeches

unwarranted and unprecedented.
"Representatives of the United States in foreign countries are properly and ex-clusively, as to the regulation of propriety partment of the government, and any inter-

precinct, while on special desective duty, in citizen's clothes, before daylight this morn-

Booth's friends for the change is, that he did all in his power to prevent any further trouble, and expressed himself as unwilling to organize a new evangelical

FOUND DEAD IN BED

kept by Mr. Mannix, at No. 515 L street

seized the housebreaker by the leg and The negro made a desperate resistance When he retired last night Mr. Linthicum was cheerful and apparently in the best of vey held on to him with his left, while bealth. His landlord was consequently with the right he placed his revolver to when he went to arouse him for breakfast. threw the negro thief heavily to the ground

MAIL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS.

office Appropriation Bill. The House Committee on Postoffices and

ties between Springfield, Mass., and New

Charged With Stealing Chickens five years old, from Alexandria county,

Cable to Honolulu.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Rela-tions this morning beard the representa-tives of the competing companies seeking a bonus for the construction of a tele-graphic orbit to the Hawalian Islands.

CONVICTION NOT LIKELY

ONE CENT.

Not Much Evidence Against Garcia and His Men.

AUTHORITIES ADMIT THIS

Representatives of the Spanish Government, However, Trying Their Best to Put the Prisoners Behind the Bars-No Arms Found on the Bermuda-Rumor of Big Bond Issue.

New York, Peb. 26.-It was the general pinion among the Federal authorities in the postoffice building this morning that there was little chance of convicting the five men arrested yesterday as leaders or the filibustering expedition which was nipped in the bud yesterday and resulted in the capture of the stramship Bermuda three tugboats and all the ammonition. There is little evidence, the authorities

say, upon which to base a conviction. Everyone, of course, understood that the expedition was bound for Cuba, and that the rifles and ammunition were intended for tien, Gomez and his men; but despite thest facts there is not a great deal of evidence to prove a violation of the section under which the raid was made

NO ARMS ON THE BERMUDA. No rifles or ammunition were found on the steamship Bermuda. The firearms were captured on the tugbent, or steam lighter, J. S. T. Stranahan, while the beat was on its way down the bay. The representatives of the Spanish government will make every effort, however,

to have the five alleged leaders now out

on bail convicted. These are Gen. Calixto

Garcia, leader of the Cuban filibusters; Capt. Samuel Hughes, Capt. John Brabazon, Treasurer Guerra of the Cuban junta and J. D. Hart, the alleged owner of the Ber-It is expected that within the next few days some one will call at the marshal's office to claim the forty tons of rifles and ammunition now on board the detained tugboat Stranahan. If the person's claim ap-pears to be a sound one, supported by proof

that the goods were not intended for Cuba. form part of another expedition. The Bermuda was not cleared for Cuba. His apparent destination was Jamaica. The captain of the Strangban declares that lie did not know the contents of the boxes containing the rifles and ammunition, por did he know, he says, what ship he was

taking them to. TUG STRANAHAN STILL RETAINED. It is also expected that the Stranahan will ic released shortly. She is still detained, as is also the Bermuda, awaiting further rders from Washington. The rifics and ammunition are still on the decks of the Stranahan. The boxes cover the entire deck, almost finsh with the boats gunwale. Until this morning the Stranshau had been kept at the barge office piet. Early today, however, the chief of the fire de-

partment ordered the tugboat down the bay, declaring that the explosives on board were a menace to life and property.

The one hundred and odd Cubans who were released from costody after their arrest yesterday were not about the junta headquarters this morning. Only a few persons were there and they looked dejected. The Cubans declared that there was absolutely

They expect that the government will not detain the Bermuda longer than a few days. There was a rumor today that the Culon bonds soon. At. Gen. Quesada's office this morning it was said that the rumor was only talk, and that while such a pian might have been discussed by a few, u

MAY SEE HIS CHILD, IF ALIVE

Strange Termination of a Divorce Suit in Chicago. Chicago, Feb. 26.-Alonzo E. Cottier ras granted a divorce from his wife Lizzie this morning and the custody of his chist, provided there is one plive. The case has account of Mrs. Cottler's defiance of the court when ordered to reveal whether their child was dead, or its whereabouts, if alive. Mrs. Cottier herself has disap-peared under a jail sentence of six months for contempt of court, and it is probable

that her attorneys will have to pay \$2,500 because of her non appearance. Mr. Cottler this morning, "to know whether my daughter is alive or not, but now ? never expect to know.

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 26.-The large dry goods store of Metsel Bros. was completely destroyed by fire early this morning. The building was valued at \$20,000 and stock at \$50,000. During the progress of the fire Mrs. Morgan, a photographer, living over the adjoining store, was nearly suffe cated and Charles Thorne, a fireman, was nearly cut in two by an elevator ascending.

He was rescued by a brother fireman. Fatally Burned by Overturned Lamp. Mount Holly, N. J., Feb. 26.-Fire was discovered in one of the upper rooms of Dr. R. H. Parson's residence, on Washington street, last night, and when the firemen managed to effect an entrance to the house they found Dr. Parsons' wife, who was an invalid, enveloped in flames. When the fire was extinguished Mrs. Parsons was found to be fatally burned, and she died

oil lamp was the cause Convention of Spiritualists.

New York, Feb. 26.-A mass conven tion of spiritualists in the interest of the National Spiritualists Association was com menced this morning at 10:30 o'clock at will continue throughout the day and toattending. A part of the program is a number of spiritualistic tests

Remains to Rest in England Chicago, Feb. 26.-The remains of Mrs. Marshall Field will be interred at Leam-ington, England, by the side of the children of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Tree. Marshall Field, jr., and Mrs. Tree both carnestly desired this, and Mr. Field yielded to their wishes, Mr. Field will sail for Eng-land next Saturday.

Norristown, Pa., Feb. 26 .- A boy named Norristown, Pa., Feb. 26.—A boy named John Johnson, to avoid being run over by the Montgomery fire edgine last night at Main and Cherry streets, grabbed the pole of the steamer, and was thus carried in his perilous position for lifty yards before the horses could be stopped. His only injury was a crushed foot.